

Farmington Community Garden Rules

1. Each gardener is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of their garden plot. Watering, weeding, harvesting and any other garden related maintenance are all the responsibility of the gardener. Gardeners may arrange for other gardeners to water their plots.
2. Gardeners must volunteer the agreed upon amount of time to help maintain the shared spaces in the garden including flower beds, fruit trees & shrubs, and the children's garden.
3. Produce, fruits, flowers, and herbs grown in the garden are for personal use or charity organizations only. Gardeners are not permitted to sell anything harvested from the garden or any products made from their harvest.
4. The regularly scheduled work time for the garden will be every Saturday from 9-3. A limited number of tools, hoses and watering equipment will be available in the community garden storage shed for use. Gardeners should bring their own tools whenever possible. Special work events will be posted on the garden bulletin board.
5. Each gardener will be given the code to the garden storage shed lock. This code should not be shared with anyone else. Gardeners are responsible for cleaning and returning tools and locking the shed after retrieving and returning items.
6. Children are welcome in the common areas of the garden at all times but must be accompanied by an adult within the personal plot area of the garden.
7. The application of herbicides (weed killers), and synthetic fertilizers to the garden plots is prohibited. Organically or naturally grown plants and seeds should be used in personal garden plots. Before applying anything to a garden plot the list of approved amendments on the bulletin board must be consulted. Contact the garden coordinator if you wish to have an item added to the list. Gardeners will have the option to make a group order of certified organic plants for wholesale cost at the beginning of the season.
8. Each gardener and volunteer must complete a Release of all Claims form before any work in the garden can begin.
9. Garden plots should be cared for at least once a week. It is the gardener's responsibility to notify the coordinator if he or she is not able to care for their plot in any given week. A sign in sheet will be provided in the shed to document gardener's attention to their plots and time caring for the common spaces. If any plot remains unattended for more than three weeks that plot is subject to reassignment.
10. Assignment of garden plots will be awarded according to a waiting list. Preference for next year's plots will be given to this year's participants first. Gardener's must pay the agreed upon yearly dues to the Treasurer before beginning work on their plot.
11. Gardeners may harvest vegetables, herbs, fruits, and flowers from their own plot and the common spaces only.
12. At the end of the growing season gardeners are responsible for clearing their plot of all plant material and leaving the plot as they found it in spring unless they are practicing season extension techniques in which case they must clear out their plot when the last harvest is complete.
13. The Garden Committee is responsible for ensuring that the rules are followed at all times. The committee is made up of gardeners elected each year at the spring meeting

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